

Section 5: Appeals, Court of

Court of Appeals

Continuation Budget

The purpose of this appropriation is for this court to review and exercise appellate and certiorari jurisdiction pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Georgia, Art. VI, Section V, Para. III, in all cases not reserved to the Supreme Court of Georgia or conferred on other courts by law.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$14,441,605	\$14,441,605	\$14,441,605
State General Funds	\$14,441,605	\$14,441,605	\$14,441,605
TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000
Sales and Services	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000
Sales and Services Not Itemized	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$14,591,605	\$14,591,605	\$14,591,605

14.1 Increase funds to reflect the adjustment in the employer share of the Judicial Retirement System and the Employees' Retirement System.

State General Funds	\$292,312	\$292,312	\$292,312
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14.2 Increase funds for personnel for one documents clerk position.

State General Funds	\$52,159	\$52,159	\$52,159
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14.3 Increase funds for personnel for two staff attorney positions.

State General Funds	\$354,724	\$256,626	\$354,724
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14.4 Increase funds for information technology. (H and S: Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks Financials billings)

State General Funds	\$14,788	\$14,788	\$14,788
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14.5 Increase funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.

State General Funds		\$68,714	\$136,342
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14.6 Reduce funds to eliminate one-time funds for e-voting software.

State General Funds		(\$30,000)	(\$30,000)
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14.100 Court of Appeals

Appropriation (HB 744)

The purpose of this appropriation is for this court to review and exercise appellate and certiorari jurisdiction pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Georgia, Art. VI, Section V, Para. III, in all cases not reserved to the Supreme Court of Georgia or conferred on other courts by law.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$15,155,588	\$15,096,204	\$15,261,930
State General Funds	\$15,155,588	\$15,096,204	\$15,261,930
TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000
Sales and Services	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000
Sales and Services Not Itemized	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$15,305,588	\$15,246,204	\$15,411,930

Section 6: Judicial Council

Accountability Courts

Continuation Budget

The purpose of this appropriation is to support adult felony drug courts, DUI courts, juvenile drug courts, family dependency treatment courts, and mental health courts, as well as the Judicial Council Accountability Court Committee. No state funds shall be provided to any accountability court where such court is delinquent in the required reporting and remittance of all fines and fees collected by such court.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$353,015	\$353,015	\$353,015
State General Funds	\$353,015	\$353,015	\$353,015
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$353,015	\$353,015	\$353,015

15.1 Increase funds for personnel for one certification program officer position.

State General Funds	\$78,806	\$78,806	\$78,806
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15.2 Increase funds to reflect the adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.

State General Funds		\$4,414	\$4,414
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15.3 Increase funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.

State General Funds		\$1,483	\$1,822
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15.100 Accountability Courts

Appropriation (HB 744)

The purpose of this appropriation is to support adult felony drug courts, DUI courts, juvenile drug courts, family dependency treatment courts, and mental health courts, as well as the Judicial Council Accountability Court Committee. No state funds shall be provided to any accountability court where such court is delinquent in the required reporting and remittance of all fines and fees collected by such court.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$431,821	\$437,718	\$438,057
State General Funds	\$431,821	\$437,718	\$438,057
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$431,821	\$437,718	\$438,057

Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution

Continuation Budget

The purpose of this appropriation is to oversee the state's court-connected alternative dispute resolution (ADR) services by promoting the establishment of new ADR court programs, providing support to existing programs, establishing and enforcing qualifications and ethical standards, registering ADR professionals and volunteers, providing training, administering statewide grants, and collecting statistical data to monitor program effectiveness.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$0	\$0	\$0
State General Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS	\$172,890	\$172,890	\$172,890
Sales and Services	\$172,890	\$172,890	\$172,890
Collection/Administrative Fees	\$172,890	\$172,890	\$172,890
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$172,890	\$172,890	\$172,890

16.1 Increase funds to reflect the adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.

State General Funds		\$3,962	\$0
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16.100 Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution

Appropriation (HB 744)

The purpose of this appropriation is to oversee the state's court-connected alternative dispute resolution (ADR) services by promoting the establishment of new ADR court programs, providing support to existing programs, establishing and enforcing qualifications and ethical standards, registering ADR professionals and volunteers, providing training, administering statewide grants, and collecting statistical data to monitor program effectiveness.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$0	\$3,962	\$0
State General Funds	\$0	\$3,962	\$0
TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS	\$172,890	\$172,890	\$172,890
Sales and Services	\$172,890	\$172,890	\$172,890
Collection/Administrative Fees	\$172,890	\$172,890	\$172,890
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$172,890	\$176,852	\$172,890

Institute of Continuing Judicial Education

Continuation Budget

The purpose of this appropriation is to provide basic training and continuing education for Superior Court Judges, Juvenile Court Judges, State Court Judges, Probate Court Judges, Magistrate Court Judges, Municipal Court Judges, Superior Court Clerks, Juvenile Court Clerks, Municipal Court Clerks, and other court personnel.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$471,789	\$471,789	\$471,789
State General Funds	\$471,789	\$471,789	\$471,789
TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS	\$703,203	\$703,203	\$703,203
Sales and Services	\$703,203	\$703,203	\$703,203
Training Fees	\$703,203	\$703,203	\$703,203
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$1,174,992	\$1,174,992	\$1,174,992

17.1 Increase funds for personnel for one educational event coordinator position for the training of judges.

State General Funds	\$39,182	\$0	\$0
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17.100 Institute of Continuing Judicial Education

Appropriation (HB 744)

The purpose of this appropriation is to provide basic training and continuing education for Superior Court Judges, Juvenile Court Judges, State Court Judges, Probate Court Judges, Magistrate Court Judges, Municipal Court Judges, Superior Court Clerks, Juvenile Court Clerks, Municipal Court Clerks, and other court personnel.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$510,971	\$471,789	\$471,789
State General Funds	\$510,971	\$471,789	\$471,789
TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS	\$703,203	\$703,203	\$703,203
Sales and Services	\$703,203	\$703,203	\$703,203
Training Fees	\$703,203	\$703,203	\$703,203
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$1,214,174	\$1,174,992	\$1,174,992

Judicial Council

Continuation Budget

The purpose of this appropriation is to support the Administrative Office of the Courts; to support accountability courts and the Judicial Council Accountability Court Committee; to provide administrative support for the councils of the Magistrate Court Judges, the Municipal Court Judges, the Probate Court Judges, and the State Court Judges; to operate the Child Support E-Filing system, the Child Support Guidelines Commission, the Commission on Interpreters, the County and Municipal Probation Advisory Council, the Georgia Commission on Family Violence, and the Children and Family Courts division; and to support the Committee on Justice for Children.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$10,178,804	\$10,178,804	\$10,178,804
State General Funds	\$10,178,804	\$10,178,804	\$10,178,804
TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS	\$2,552,935	\$2,552,935	\$2,552,935
Child Support Enforcement Title IV-D CFDA93.563	\$749,055	\$749,055	\$749,055
State and Community Highway Safety CFDA20.600	\$49,611	\$49,611	\$49,611
State Court Improvement Program CFDA93.586	\$883,172	\$883,172	\$883,172
Substance Abuse & Mental Health Service Projects CFDA93.243	\$811,065	\$811,065	\$811,065
Violence Against Women Formula Grants CFDA16.588	\$60,032	\$60,032	\$60,032
TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS	\$268,905	\$268,905	\$268,905
Sales and Services	\$268,905	\$268,905	\$268,905
Collection/Administrative Fees	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,000
Drug Courts Conference Fees	\$86,000	\$86,000	\$86,000
Probate Court Judges Fees	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000
Sales and Services Not Itemized	\$47,905	\$47,905	\$47,905
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$13,000,644	\$13,000,644	\$13,000,644

18.1 *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Judicial Retirement System.*

State General Funds	\$410,508	\$395,867	\$395,867
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18.2 *Increase funds for personnel for one executive director position for the Council of Probate Court Judges.*

State General Funds	\$111,363	\$0	\$0
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18.3 *Increase funds for operations for regulatory oversight of misdemeanor probation providers.*

State General Funds	\$66,320	\$66,320	\$66,320
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18.4 *Increase funds for the rental rate increase by Georgia Building Authority.*

State General Funds	\$6,329	\$6,329	\$6,329
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18.5 *Increase funds to support the statewide e-filing portal for all courts.*

State General Funds	\$208,000	\$208,000	\$0
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18.6 *Increase funds for the creation of a Family Law Information Center in the Pataula Judicial Circuit.*

State General Funds	\$61,019	\$0	\$0
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18.7 *Increase funds for grants to local organizations providing civil legal services to victims of domestic violence. (H:Increase funds for grants to local organizations for civil legal services to victims of domestic violence; administrative costs shall not exceed 2%)(S:Increase funds for grants to local organizations for civil legal services to victims of domestic violence and coordinate with the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council to leverage additional federal and other funds for these services; all funds should support direct services)*

State General Funds	\$772,502	\$772,502	\$386,251
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18.8 *Increase funds to reflect the adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.*

State General Funds		\$147,851	\$147,851
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18.9 *Reduce funds to reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks Financials billings.*

State General Funds		(\$9,750)	(\$9,750)
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18.10 *Increase funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.*

State General Funds		\$42,385	\$51,889
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18.100 Judicial Council

Appropriation (HB 744)

The purpose of this appropriation is to support the Administrative Office of the Courts; to support accountability courts and the Judicial Council Accountability Court Committee; to provide administrative support for the councils of the Magistrate Court Judges, the Municipal Court Judges, the Probate Court Judges, and the State Court Judges; to operate the Child Support E-Filing system, the Child Support Guidelines Commission, the Commission on Interpreters, the County and Municipal Probation Advisory Council, the Georgia Commission on Family Violence, and the Children and Family Courts division; and to support the Committee on Justice for Children.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$11,814,845	\$11,808,308	\$11,223,561
State General Funds	\$11,814,845	\$11,808,308	\$11,223,561
TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS	\$2,552,935	\$2,552,935	\$2,552,935
Child Support Enforcement Title IV-D CFDA93.563	\$749,055	\$749,055	\$749,055
State and Community Highway Safety CFDA20.600	\$49,611	\$49,611	\$49,611
State Court Improvement Program CFDA93.586	\$883,172	\$883,172	\$883,172

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	Governor	House	SAC
Substance Abuse & Mental Health Service Projects CFDA93.243	\$811,065	\$811,065	\$811,065
Violence Against Women Formula Grants CFDA16.588	\$60,032	\$60,032	\$60,032
TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS	\$268,905	\$268,905	\$268,905
Sales and Services	\$268,905	\$268,905	\$268,905
Collection/Administrative Fees	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,000
Drug Courts Conference Fees	\$86,000	\$86,000	\$86,000
Probate Court Judges Fees	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000
Sales and Services Not Itemized	\$47,905	\$47,905	\$47,905
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$14,636,685	\$14,630,148	\$14,045,401

Judicial Qualifications Commission

Continuation Budget

The purpose of this appropriation is to investigate complaints filed against a judicial officer, impose and recommend disciplinary sanctions against any judicial officer, and when necessary, file formal charges against that officer and provide a formal trial or hearing. The purpose of this appropriation is also to produce formal and informal advisory opinions; provide training and guidance to judicial candidates regarding the Code of Judicial Conduct; and investigate allegations of unethical campaign practices.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$518,504	\$518,504	\$518,504
State General Funds	\$518,504	\$518,504	\$518,504
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$518,504	\$518,504	\$518,504

19.1 Increase funds to reflect the adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.

State General Funds	\$6,508	\$6,508	\$6,508
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19.2 Increase funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.

State General Funds	\$2,187	\$2,694	\$2,694
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19.100 Judicial Qualifications Commission

Appropriation (HB 744)

The purpose of this appropriation is to investigate complaints filed against a judicial officer, impose and recommend disciplinary sanctions against any judicial officer, and when necessary, file formal charges against that officer and provide a formal trial or hearing. The purpose of this appropriation is also to produce formal and informal advisory opinions; provide training and guidance to judicial candidates regarding the Code of Judicial Conduct; and investigate allegations of unethical campaign practices.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$518,504	\$527,199	\$527,706
State General Funds	\$518,504	\$527,199	\$527,706
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$518,504	\$527,199	\$527,706

Resource Center

Continuation Budget

The purpose of this appropriation is to provide direct representation to death penalty sentenced inmates and to recruit and assist private attorneys to represent plaintiffs in habeas corpus proceedings.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$800,000	\$800,000	\$800,000
State General Funds	\$800,000	\$800,000	\$800,000
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$800,000	\$800,000	\$800,000

20.100 Resource Center

Appropriation (HB 744)

The purpose of this appropriation is to provide direct representation to death penalty sentenced inmates and to recruit and assist private attorneys to represent plaintiffs in habeas corpus proceedings.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$800,000	\$800,000	\$800,000
State General Funds	\$800,000	\$800,000	\$800,000
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$800,000	\$800,000	\$800,000

Section 7: Juvenile Courts

Council of Juvenile Court Judges

Continuation Budget

The purpose of this appropriation is for the Council of Juvenile Court Judges to represent all the juvenile judges in Georgia. Jurisdiction in cases involving children includes delinquencies, status offenses, and deprivation.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$1,483,391	\$1,483,391	\$1,483,391
State General Funds	\$1,483,391	\$1,483,391	\$1,483,391
TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS	\$447,456	\$447,456	\$447,456

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	Governor	House	SAC
Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grants CFDA16.523	\$447,456	\$447,456	\$447,456
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$1,930,847	\$1,930,847	\$1,930,847

21.1 *Increase funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.*

State General Funds		\$10,415	\$10,415
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21.100 Council of Juvenile Court Judges **Appropriation (HB 744)**

The purpose of this appropriation is for the Council of Juvenile Court Judges to represent all the juvenile judges in Georgia. Jurisdiction in cases involving children includes delinquencies, status offenses, and deprivation.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$1,483,391	\$1,493,806	\$1,493,806
State General Funds	\$1,483,391	\$1,493,806	\$1,493,806
TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS	\$447,456	\$447,456	\$447,456
Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grants CFDA16.523	\$447,456	\$447,456	\$447,456
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$1,930,847	\$1,941,262	\$1,941,262

Grants to Counties for Juvenile Court Judges **Continuation Budget**

The purpose of this appropriation is for payment of state funds to circuits to pay for juvenile court judges salaries.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$5,304,395	\$5,304,395	\$5,304,395
State General Funds	\$5,304,395	\$5,304,395	\$5,304,395
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$5,304,395	\$5,304,395	\$5,304,395

22.1 *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Judicial Retirement System.*

State General Funds	\$7,505	\$7,505	\$7,505
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22.2 *Increase funds for Grants to Counties for Juvenile Court Judges pursuant to O.C.G.A. 15-11-18.*

State General Funds	\$223,558	\$223,558	\$223,558
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22.100 Grants to Counties for Juvenile Court Judges **Appropriation (HB 744)**

The purpose of this appropriation is for payment of state funds to circuits to pay for juvenile court judges salaries.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$5,535,458	\$5,535,458	\$5,535,458
State General Funds	\$5,535,458	\$5,535,458	\$5,535,458
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$5,535,458	\$5,535,458	\$5,535,458

Section 9: Superior Courts

Council of Superior Court Judges **Continuation Budget**

The purpose of this appropriation is for the operations of the Council of Superior Court Judges and is to further the improvement of the Superior Court in the administration of justice through leadership, training, policy development and budgetary and fiscal administration.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$1,317,131	\$1,317,131	\$1,317,131
State General Funds	\$1,317,131	\$1,317,131	\$1,317,131
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$1,317,131	\$1,317,131	\$1,317,131

26.1 *Increase funds to reflect the adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.*

State General Funds	\$25,111	\$25,111	\$25,111
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26.2 *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the State Health Benefit Plan.*

State General Funds	\$7,112	\$0	\$0
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26.3 *Increase funds for personnel for one project coordinator position.*

State General Funds	\$88,215	\$0	\$0
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26.4 *Increase funds for operations.*

State General Funds	\$12,914	\$0	\$0
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26.5 *Increase funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.*

State General Funds		\$11,602	\$11,602
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26.100 Council of Superior Court Judges **Appropriation (HB 744)**

The purpose of this appropriation is for the operations of the Council of Superior Court Judges and is to further the improvement of the Superior Court in the administration of justice through leadership, training, policy development and budgetary and fiscal administration.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$1,450,483	\$1,353,844	\$1,353,844
State General Funds	\$1,450,483	\$1,353,844	\$1,353,844
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$1,450,483	\$1,353,844	\$1,353,844

Judicial Administrative Districts

Continuation Budget

The purpose of this appropriation is to provide regional administrative support to the judges of the superior court. This support includes managing budgets, policy, procedure, and providing a liaison between local and state courts.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$2,383,335	\$2,383,335	\$2,383,335
State General Funds	\$2,383,335	\$2,383,335	\$2,383,335
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$2,383,335	\$2,383,335	\$2,383,335

27.1 Increase funds to reflect the adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.

State General Funds	\$46,229	\$46,229	\$46,229
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27.2 Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the State Health Benefit Plan.

State General Funds	\$12,988	\$0	\$0
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27.3 Increase funds for personnel to restore funds from previous budget reductions.

State General Funds	\$18,051	\$18,051	\$0
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27.4 Increase funds for operations.

State General Funds	\$135,000	\$50,000	\$0
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27.5 Increase funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.

State General Funds		\$20,602	\$20,602
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27.100 Judicial Administrative Districts

Appropriation (HB 744)

The purpose of this appropriation is to provide regional administrative support to the judges of the superior court. This support includes managing budgets, policy, procedure, and providing a liaison between local and state courts.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$2,595,603	\$2,518,217	\$2,450,166
State General Funds	\$2,595,603	\$2,518,217	\$2,450,166
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$2,595,603	\$2,518,217	\$2,450,166

Superior Court Judges

Continuation Budget

The purpose of this appropriation is to enable Georgia's Superior Courts to be the general jurisdiction trial court and exercise exclusive, constitutional authority over felony cases, divorce, equity and cases regarding title to land, provided that law clerks over the fifty provided by law are to be allocated back to the circuits by caseload ranks.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$58,555,362	\$58,555,362	\$58,555,362
State General Funds	\$58,555,362	\$58,555,362	\$58,555,362
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$58,555,362	\$58,555,362	\$58,555,362

28.1 Increase funds to reflect the adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.

State General Funds	\$310,583	\$310,583	\$310,583
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28.2 Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Judicial Retirement System.

State General Funds	\$691,149	\$691,149	\$691,149
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28.3 Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the State Health Benefit Plan.

State General Funds	\$337,678	\$0	\$0
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28.4 Increase funds for personnel to annualize two judgeships for the Chattahoochee and Oconee Judicial Circuits created in HB451 (2013 Session).

State General Funds	\$350,207	\$350,207	\$350,207
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28.5 Increase funds for personnel for two law clerk positions.

State General Funds	\$122,472	\$122,472	\$122,472
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28.6 Increase funds for personnel for salary step increases for 30 secretaries.

State General Funds	\$212,480	\$133,674	\$133,674
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28.7	<i>Increase funds for personnel to restore funds from previous budget reductions.</i>			
	State General Funds	\$168,558	\$168,558	\$0
28.8	<i>Eliminate funds for the initial setup of the Piedmont and Bell-Forsyth judgeships created in SB356 (2012 Session).</i>			
	State General Funds	(\$60,500)	(\$60,500)	(\$60,500)
28.9	<i>Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks Financials billings.</i>			
	State General Funds		\$5,423	\$5,423
28.10	<i>Increase funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.</i>			
	State General Funds		\$422,572	\$422,572
28.11	<i>Increase funds for two new judgeships in the Coweta and Waycross Judicial Circuits starting April 1, 2015. (S:Increase funds for two new judgeships in the Coweta and Waycross Judicial Circuits starting January 1, 2015)</i>			
	State General Funds		\$180,555	\$361,110

28.100 Superior Court Judges **Appropriation (HB 744)**

The purpose of this appropriation is to enable Georgia's Superior Courts to be the general jurisdiction trial court and exercise exclusive, constitutional authority over felony cases, divorce, equity and cases regarding title to land, provided that law clerks over the fifty provided by law are to be allocated back to the circuits by caseload ranks.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$60,687,989	\$60,880,055	\$60,892,052
State General Funds	\$60,687,989	\$60,880,055	\$60,892,052
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$60,687,989	\$60,880,055	\$60,892,052

Section 10: Supreme Court

Supreme Court of Georgia

Continuation Budget

The purpose of this appropriation is to support the Supreme Court of Georgia which exercises exclusive appellate jurisdiction in all cases involving: the construction of a treaty, the Constitution of the State of Georgia or of the United States, the constitutionality of a law, ordinance, or constitutional provision that has been drawn in question, and all cases of election contest per Ga. Const. Art. VI, Section VI, Para. II. The purpose of this appropriation is also to support the Supreme Court of Georgia in its exercise of jurisdiction in cases per Ga. Const. Art. VI, Section VI, Para. III and its administration of the Bar Exam and oversight of the Office of Reporter of Decisions.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$9,392,560	\$9,392,560	\$9,392,560
State General Funds	\$9,392,560	\$9,392,560	\$9,392,560
TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS	\$1,859,823	\$1,859,823	\$1,859,823
Sales and Services	\$1,859,823	\$1,859,823	\$1,859,823
Bar Applicant Fitness Board Fees	\$1,259,912	\$1,259,912	\$1,259,912
Bar Exam Administration per OCGA15-19-2	\$599,911	\$599,911	\$599,911
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$11,252,383	\$11,252,383	\$11,252,383

29.1	<i>Increase funds for personnel to fill one Fiscal Services position.</i>			
	State General Funds	\$64,156	\$64,156	\$0
29.2	<i>Increase funds for personnel for two staff attorney positions. (S:Increase funds for personnel for one staff attorney position)</i>			
	State General Funds	\$256,626	\$256,626	\$128,313
29.3	<i>Increase funds for a one-time increase in information technology costs to update the Court's operating system.</i>			
	State General Funds	\$306,785	\$306,785	\$306,785
29.4	<i>Increase funds to reflect an increase in the annual dues charged by the National Center for State Courts.</i>			
	State General Funds	\$27,414	\$27,414	\$27,414
29.5	<i>Increase funds for a secure document destruction contract.</i>			
	State General Funds	\$27,408	\$27,408	\$12,000
29.6	<i>Increase funds for contracts to reflect an adjustment in fees for legal research licensing.</i>			
	State General Funds	\$1,344	\$1,344	\$1,344
29.7	<i>Increase funds to reflect the adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.</i>			
	State General Funds		\$175,267	\$175,267

29.8 Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks Financials billings.

State General Funds		\$967	\$967
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29.9 Increase funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.

State General Funds		\$62,158	\$78,892
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29.10 Increase funds for personnel to annualize one staff attorney position.

State General Funds		\$62,357	\$62,357
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29.11 Reduce funds to digitize paper records.

State General Funds		(\$17,438)	(\$17,438)
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29.100 Supreme Court of Georgia

Appropriation (HB 744)

The purpose of this appropriation is to support the Supreme Court of Georgia which exercises exclusive appellate jurisdiction in all cases involving: the construction of a treaty, the Constitution of the State of Georgia or of the United States, the constitutionality of a law, ordinance, or constitutional provision that has been drawn in question, and all cases of election contest per Ga. Const. Art. VI, Section VI, Para. II. The purpose of this appropriation is also to support the Supreme Court of Georgia in its exercise of jurisdiction in cases per Ga. Const. Art. VI, Section VI, Para. III and its administration of the Bar Exam and oversight of the Office of Reporter of Decisions.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$10,076,293	\$10,359,604	\$10,168,461
State General Funds	\$10,076,293	\$10,359,604	\$10,168,461
TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS	\$1,859,823	\$1,859,823	\$1,859,823
Sales and Services	\$1,859,823	\$1,859,823	\$1,859,823
Bar Applicant Fitness Board Fees	\$1,259,912	\$1,259,912	\$1,259,912
Bar Exam Administration per OCGA15-19-2	\$599,911	\$599,911	\$599,911
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$11,936,116	\$12,219,427	\$12,028,284

Section 32: Law, Department of

Law, Department of

Continuation Budget

The purpose of this appropriation is to serve as the attorney and legal advisor for all state agencies, departments, authorities, and the Governor; to provide binding opinions on legal questions concerning the state of Georgia and its agencies; and to prepare all contracts and agreements regarding any matter in which the state of Georgia is involved.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$18,079,990	\$18,079,990	\$18,079,990
State General Funds	\$18,079,990	\$18,079,990	\$18,079,990
TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS	\$269,940	\$269,940	\$269,940
Sales and Services	\$269,940	\$269,940	\$269,940
Collection/Administrative Fees	\$268,940	\$268,940	\$268,940
Sales and Services Not Itemized	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS	\$36,317,074	\$36,317,074	\$36,317,074
State Funds Transfers	\$36,317,074	\$36,317,074	\$36,317,074
Legal Services - Client Reimbursable per OCGA45-15-4	\$34,350,000	\$34,350,000	\$34,350,000
Legal Services - Dept. of Administrative Services Cases	\$1,967,074	\$1,967,074	\$1,967,074
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$54,667,004	\$54,667,004	\$54,667,004

220.1 Increase funds to reflect the adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.

State General Funds	\$436,735	\$436,735	\$436,735
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220.2 Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in TeamWorks Financials billings.

State General Funds	\$1,397	\$1,397	\$1,397
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220.3 Increase funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.

State General Funds	\$181,090	\$181,090	\$181,090
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220.4 Increase funds for personnel for retention of attorney positions to mitigate future Special Assistant Attorney General expenses.

State General Funds	\$1,259,314	\$1,259,314	\$1,259,314
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220.5 Utilize existing funds to retain two time-limited attorney positions added in HB742 (2012 Session) to address professional licensing investigations. (H:YES)(S:YES)

State General Funds		\$0	\$0
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220.100 Law, Department of

Appropriation (HB 744)

The purpose of this appropriation is to serve as the attorney and legal advisor for all state agencies, departments, authorities, and the Governor; to provide binding opinions on legal questions concerning the state of Georgia and its agencies; and to prepare all contracts and agreements regarding any matter in which the state of Georgia is involved.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$19,958,526	\$19,958,526	\$19,958,526
State General Funds	\$19,958,526	\$19,958,526	\$19,958,526
TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS	\$269,940	\$269,940	\$269,940
Sales and Services	\$269,940	\$269,940	\$269,940
Collection/Administrative Fees	\$268,940	\$268,940	\$268,940
Sales and Services Not Itemized	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS	\$36,317,074	\$36,317,074	\$36,317,074
State Funds Transfers	\$36,317,074	\$36,317,074	\$36,317,074
Legal Services - Client Reimbursable per OCGA45-15-4	\$34,350,000	\$34,350,000	\$34,350,000
Legal Services - Dept. of Administrative Services Cases	\$1,967,074	\$1,967,074	\$1,967,074
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$56,545,540	\$56,545,540	\$56,545,540

Medicaid Fraud Control Unit

Continuation Budget

The purpose of this appropriation is to serve as the center for the identification, arrest, and prosecution of providers of health services and patients who defraud the Medicaid Program.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$1,147,261	\$1,147,261	\$1,147,261
State General Funds	\$1,147,261	\$1,147,261	\$1,147,261
TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS	\$3,597,990	\$3,597,990	\$3,597,990
State Medicaid Fraud Control Units CFDA93.775	\$3,597,990	\$3,597,990	\$3,597,990
TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS	\$2,111	\$2,111	\$2,111
Sales and Services	\$2,111	\$2,111	\$2,111
Sales and Services Not Itemized	\$2,111	\$2,111	\$2,111
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$4,747,362	\$4,747,362	\$4,747,362

221.1 Increase funds to reflect the adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.

State General Funds	\$17,015	\$17,015	\$17,015
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221.2 Increase funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.

State General Funds	\$6,846	\$6,846	\$6,846
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221.3 Increase funds for personnel for five positions to maximize civil recovery of fraudulent Medicaid claims.

State General Funds	\$112,714	\$112,714	\$112,714
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221.100 Medicaid Fraud Control Unit

Appropriation (HB 744)

The purpose of this appropriation is to serve as the center for the identification, arrest, and prosecution of providers of health services and patients who defraud the Medicaid Program.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$1,283,836	\$1,283,836	\$1,283,836
State General Funds	\$1,283,836	\$1,283,836	\$1,283,836
TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS	\$3,597,990	\$3,597,990	\$3,597,990
State Medicaid Fraud Control Units CFDA93.775	\$3,597,990	\$3,597,990	\$3,597,990
TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS	\$2,111	\$2,111	\$2,111
Sales and Services	\$2,111	\$2,111	\$2,111
Sales and Services Not Itemized	\$2,111	\$2,111	\$2,111
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$4,883,937	\$4,883,937	\$4,883,937

Section 36: Public Defender Standards Council, Georgia

Public Defender Standards Council

Continuation Budget

The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the Office of the Georgia Capital Defender, Office of the Mental Health Advocate, and Central Office.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$6,082,218	\$6,082,218	\$6,082,218
State General Funds	\$6,082,218	\$6,082,218	\$6,082,218
TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS	\$340,000	\$340,000	\$340,000
Interest and Investment Income	\$340,000	\$340,000	\$340,000
Clerk's and Sheriff's Trust Accounts	\$340,000	\$340,000	\$340,000
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$6,422,218	\$6,422,218	\$6,422,218

237.1	<i>Increase funds to reflect the adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.</i>			
State General Funds		\$106,831	\$106,831	\$106,831
237.2	<i>Increase funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.</i>			
State General Funds		\$35,810	\$35,810	\$35,810
237.3	<i>Increase funds for personnel to eliminate furlough days.</i>			
State General Funds		\$340,000	\$340,000	\$340,000

237.100 Public Defender Standards Council	Appropriation (HB 744)
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The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the Office of the Georgia Capital Defender, Office of the Mental Health Advocate, and Central Office.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$6,564,859	\$6,564,859	\$6,564,859
State General Funds	\$6,564,859	\$6,564,859	\$6,564,859
TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS	\$340,000	\$340,000	\$340,000
Interest and Investment Income	\$340,000	\$340,000	\$340,000
Clerk's and Sheriff's Trust Accounts	\$340,000	\$340,000	\$340,000
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$6,904,859	\$6,904,859	\$6,904,859

Public Defenders	Continuation Budget
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The purpose of this appropriation is to assure that adequate and effective legal representation is provided, independently of political considerations or private interests, to indigent persons who are entitled to representation under this chapter; provided that staffing for circuits are based on O.C.G.A. 17-12.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$35,135,808	\$35,135,808	\$35,135,808
State General Funds	\$35,135,808	\$35,135,808	\$35,135,808
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$35,135,808	\$35,135,808	\$35,135,808

238.1	<i>Increase funds to reflect the adjustment in the employer share of the Employees' Retirement System.</i>			
State General Funds		\$605,374	\$605,374	\$605,374
238.2	<i>Increase funds for merit-based pay adjustments and employee recruitment and retention initiatives effective July 1, 2014.</i>			
State General Funds		\$223,973	\$223,973	\$223,973
238.3	<i>Increase funds for personnel for two assistant public defender positions authorized in HB451 (2013 Session) for the Chattahoochee and Oconee Judicial Circuits.</i>			
State General Funds		\$140,948	\$70,474	\$70,474
238.4	<i>Increase funds for personnel for two assistant public defender positions to reflect the new judgeships in the Coweta and Waycross Judicial Circuits starting April 1, 2015. (S:Increase funds for personnel for two assistant public defender positions to reflect the new judgeships in the Coweta and Waycross Judicial Circuits starting January 1, 2015)</i>			
State General Funds			\$36,088	\$72,176

238.100 Public Defenders	Appropriation (HB 744)
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The purpose of this appropriation is to assure that adequate and effective legal representation is provided, independently of political considerations or private interests, to indigent persons who are entitled to representation under this chapter; provided that staffing for circuits are based on O.C.G.A. 17-12.

TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$36,106,103	\$36,071,717	\$36,107,805
State General Funds	\$36,106,103	\$36,071,717	\$36,107,805
TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS	\$36,106,103	\$36,071,717	\$36,107,805